

1939, ch. 503.

31. The Governor shall appoint from the list of eligibles previously established by the State Employment Commissioner, an inspector of weights and mine scales, and said inspector of weights and mine scales shall be paid such salary, and provided with such equipment, as may from time to time be provided for in the Budget. Before entering upon his duties, said weights and mine scales inspector shall take the oath prescribed by the Constitution. Such weights and mine scales inspector shall be reimbursed for his necessary traveling expenses upon monthly accounts properly supported by vouchers approved by the Chief Mine Engineer, within such amount as shall not exceed such allowance as may from time to time be provided therefor by the Budget, and said inspector of weights and mine scales shall be subject to such rules and regulations as to the performance of his duties, including the making of reports, as may from time to time be established by the Chief Mine Engineer.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 32. 1922, ch. 307, sec. 31.

32. Should a district mine inspector become temporarily incapacitated, be suspended for cause, or receive a leave of absence from the Bureau, the Chief Mine Engineer may employ temporarily, subject to the rules of the State Employment Commissioner, a competent person to fill the office until the return to duty of such inspector; provided, that such temporary employment shall not exceed ninety days; and provided further, that such temporary employee shall be paid at the rate of compensation allowed such inspector.

CHAPTER IV—*General Duties and Powers of District Inspectors.*

An. Code, 1924, sec. 33. 1922, ch. 307, sec. 32.

33. It shall be the duty of each district mine inspector, not less frequently than six times in each year in gaseous mines, and not less frequently than three times in each year in non-gaseous mines, to enter into and thoroughly inspect every working-place and other excavation, machine, facility and process and all outside works, ways and plants of every coal mine in his inspection district or to which he may be assigned, to see that the mine laws and regulations are strictly observed and carried out; and at need to make additional visits to such mines to investigate in case of accident occurring therein or thereat. Such inspection or investigation may be made at any hour, but not so as to impede unnecessarily the proper working of such mine. The inspector shall immediately after each visit make out a report in triplicate, one copy to be for the operator to be by him posted under glass for thirty days at or near the principal mouth of the mine, convenient for observation by employees, and to be preserved thereafter for one year; one for the Chief Mine Engineer; and one to be retained by the district mine inspector. Such report shall state the conditions found in every part of the mine, in detail; and may include suggestions and recommendations looking toward improvement of conditions and better law observance; and shall especially bring to the attention of the operator or any other person concerned, and be notice to them and any of them, of any instance of violation of law or regulations observed, at, in or about such mine. A report of such visits, summarized as to conditions found and recommendations made, shall be made monthly by each such inspector to the Bureau.